

The 100% Unofficial  
**Quick Guide**  
to the Eurovision Song Contest 2025



for  
Commentators, Broadcasters, Media, and Fans

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## 2025 Host City: Basel, Switzerland

Switzerland's third most-populous city (after Zurich and Geneva), Basel is now the third Swiss city to claim the rarified honour of "Eurovision Host", following Lugano in 1956 and Lausanne in 1989. Interestingly enough, this will be the first time that the Contest will be hosted in the German-speaking part of the country, despite it being the most widely-spoken language in Switzerland. It's located on the banks of the Rhine River, at the tripoint where the borders of Switzerland, France, and Germany meet.

First officially documented by name in the year 374 CE, there's evidence of settlement in the Basel area that stretches back to approximately 150 BCE. Since then, this city has been an epicenter for learning, the arts, and commerce. It's the home of the country's oldest university (The University of Basel, founded in 1460), oldest publishing house (Schwabe, founded in 1488), oldest zoo (established in 1874), and oldest art museum that's open to the public (the Kunstmuseum Basel, opened in 1661).

Despite centuries of history, Basel is a young and vibrant city, home to Art Basel (one of the world's most renowned contemporary art fairs), dozens of museums spanning topics from history to dollhouses to pharmaceuticals to musical instruments, and plenty of green spaces and parks to soak up the sunshine. Take a swim in the Rhine river, sample some *Basler Lächerli* (the local spice cookie), and enjoy all that this charming city has to offer!

## 2025 Venue: St. Jakobshalle

One of Switzerland's largest indoor arenas, St. Jakobshalle (known to locals as "Joggelihalle") was first opened in 1976, with renovations completed in 2018. It's part of a complex that also includes the St. Jakob Arena, St. Jakob-Park, tennis courts, playing fields, swimming pools, and an equestrian center, all located alongside the Department of Sport, Exercise, and Health of the University of Basel.

Formerly the home of the EHC Basel ice hockey club, St. Jakobshalle has hosted sporting events as varied as tennis, handball, curling, volleyball, boxing, darts, and sepak takraw (a fast-paced game from Southeast Asia that blends volleyball, football, and hacky-sack). Major international musical acts like A-ha, Andrea Bocelli, Bob Dylan, Carlos Santana, Depeche Mode, Green Day, Kylie Minogue, Rammstein, Rihanna, Sigur Ros, The Cure, and Whitney Houston have all toured through St. Jakobshalle over the years.

## 2025 Hosts:



(clockwise from upper left: Michelle Hunziker, Hazel Brugger, and Sandra Studer. Credits: Mirjam Kluka)

### **Hazel Brugger**

Born in San Diego, California, raised near Zürich, and now making Germany her home, Hazel Brugger is a comedienne, presenter, and slam-poet known all over the German-speaking world.

### **Sandra Studer**

Best known to Eurovision fans as Sandra Simó, Zürich-born Sandra represented her homeland in 1991, coming in fifth place with the Italian-language *Canzone per te*. Since then, she's been a familiar face on Swiss television, including providing German-language commentary for Eurovision between 1997 and 2006.

### **Michelle Hunziker**

Joining Hazel and Sandra for the Grand Final will be Michelle Hunziker, an established name on Swiss, German, and Italian television. Starting her career in modeling, she seamlessly made the jump into presenting, eventually hosting Germany's edition of *Idol*, long-running entertainment show *Wetten, dass..?*, and even Italy's eternal *Festival di Sanremo*.

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Shkodra Elektronike</b>
Title (Albanian)	<i>Zjerm</i>
Title (English)	<i>Fire</i>
Language	Albanian
Composers	Music: Beatrice Gjergji / Lyrics: Beatrice Gjergji, Lekë Gjeloši

Artist Profile	Established in 2019, Shkodra Elektronike are the dynamic duo Kolë Laca and Beatrice Gjergji, both with roots in the northern city of Shkodër, but raised in Italy. Their music blends traditional Albanian sounds with modern pop and electronic music.
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Song Description	<i>Zjerm</i> uses traditional themes of the purifying nature of fire to create an energetic, yet introspective call for compassion, dignity, and peace.
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Selection Process	<i>Festival i Këngës</i> , which took place just before Christmas, has become one of the Eurovision community's favourite holiday traditions. Two fifteen-song semifinals (plus a night of nostalgic covers) led to a fifteen-song grand final. The winner was selected by a jury vote, an online vote, and an SMS vote.
Date Selected	22 December, 2024

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2004
Years Competed	2004 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	22
Best Position	5 <sup>th</sup> (2012)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Besa, <i>Titan</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 15th in the Semifinal, 14 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Parg</b>
Title	<b><i>Survivor</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Benji Alasu, Jon Aljidi, Peter Boström, Joshua Curran, Thomas G:son, Martin Mooradian, PARG, Armen Paul, Eva Voskanyan, Alex Wilke
Artist Profile	Parg (full name: Pargev Vardanyan) released his first singles in 2021, following getting his degree at the Volgograd State Institute of Theater and Cinema in Russia. He recently collaborated with Armenia's 2023 representative Brunette.
Song Description	Big and bombastic, <i>Survivor</i> is the kind of energetic pop-rock song that lends itself to powerful choreography and lots of pyrotechnics.
Selection Process	For the first time since 2020, broadcaster AMPTV returned to a National Final to select its song for Eurovision. Sixteen acts competed for the ticket to Basel, including 2020's intended act Athena Manoukian and JESC 2016 alumna Anahit Adamyan. The winner was selected through a public vote, a domestic jury, and an international jury.
Date Selected	16 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2006
Years Competed	2006 – 2012, 2013-2020, 2022-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	18
Best Position	4 <sup>th</sup> (2014)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Ladaniva, <i>Jako</i>
Finishing Position	8th place in the Grand Final, 183 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Go-Jo</b>
Title	<b><i>Milkshake Man</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Jason Bovino, Amy Sheppard, George Sheppard, Marty Zambotto

Artist Profile	Go-Jo (real name: Marty Zambotto) grew up in a remote community in Western Australia. Following the release of a number of independent singles, as well as a cover of the Goo Goo Dolls' <i>Iris</i> , Go-Jo now has a massive following on social media.
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Song Description	<i>Milkshake Man</i> is a cheeky ode to everyone's favourite purveyor of dairy deliciousness. The only thing more plentiful than the double-entendres are the calories, which most viewers may just dance off anyway.
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Selection Process	Like last year, Australian broadcaster SBS opted for an internal selection.
Date Artist Announced and Song Released	25 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2015
Years Competed	2015 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	11
Best Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> (2016)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Electric Fields, <i>One Milkali (One Blood)</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 11th place in the Semifinal, 41 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	JJ
Title	<b><i>Wasted Love</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Johannes Pietsch, Teodora Spiric, Thomas Turner

Artist Profile	An alum of The Voice UK and Austria's <i>Starmania</i> , countertenor JJ is currently a student at the Music and Arts University of the City of Vienna, and has performed at the Vienna State Opera.
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Song Description	Co-written by Austria's 2023 Eurovision alumna Teya, <i>Wasted Love</i> is an emotional ballad that rises to an energetic electronic coda by the end. The song highlights JJ's unique vocal qualities, which may result in one of the highest notes reached by a male vocalist at Eurovision in recent memory.
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Selection Process	Both the artist and the song were internally selected by ORF.
Date Artists Announced	30 January
Date Song Revealed	March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1957
Years Competed	1957-1968, 1971-1972, 1976-1997, 1999-2000, 2002-2005, 2007, 2011 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	58
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1966, 2014)
Host Venue	Vienna 1967, Vienna 2015

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Kaleen, <i>We Will Rave</i>
Finishing Position	24th place in the Grand Final, 24 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Mamagama</b>
Title	<b><i>Run With U</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music: Hasan Heydar, Asef Mishiyeu, Roman Zee / Lyrics: Asef Mishiyeu

Artist Profile	First formed in 2021, trio Mamagama is made up of vocalist Asaf Mishiyeu, guitarist Hasan Heydar and drummer Arif Imanov. They've won accolades at festivals like Albania's <i>Kënga Magjike</i> , and were in the running to represent Azerbaijan at Eurovision in 2023.
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Song Description	The uplifting and danceable <i>Run With U</i> exemplifies Mamagama's penchant for blending modern pop and rock music with traditional sounds from their homeland.
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Selection Process	Azeri broadcaster İTV opted for an internal selection for the 2025 Contest.
Date Artist Announced	4 February
Date Song Revealed	19 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2008
Years Competed	2008 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	18
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2011)
Host Venue	Baku 2012

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	FAHREE featuring İlkin Dovlatov, <i>Özünlə apar</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 14th place in the Semifinal, 11 points



## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Red Sebastian</b>
Title	<b><i>Strobe Lights</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Billie Bentein, Seppe Herreman, Ameerah A. Roelants, Willem Vanderstichele

Artist Profile	A finalist on <i>Belgium's Got Talent</i> at age 14, Red Sebastian (real name: Seppe Herreman) continued to hone his craft at Ghent's Royal Academy of Fine Arts, where he was tutored by none other than Belgium's 2023 representative, Gustaph.
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Song Description	
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Selection Process	Flemish broadcaster VRT held <i>Eurosong 2025</i> , where eight songs competed. The winner was decided by an equally-weighted jury and public vote.
Date Selected	1 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1993, 1995-1996, 1998-2000, 2000 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	67
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1986)
Host Venue	Brussels 1987

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Mustii, <i>Before the Party's Over</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 13th place in the Semifinal, 18 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Marko Bošnjak</b>
Title	<b>Poison Cake</b>
Language	English
Composers	Music: Marko Bošnjak, Emma Gale, Ben Pyne, Bas Wissink / Lyrics: Emma Gale, Ben Pyne

Artist Profile	First coming to prominence as an eleven-year-old on the talent show <i>Pinkove Zvezdice</i> , Marko was also the runner-up at <i>Dora 2022</i> with the song <i>Moli za nas</i> .
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Song Description	<i>Poison Cake</i> is a darkly cheeky song about mixing up the perfect batch of "sweet revenge" for someone who has wronged you.
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Selection Process	Croatian broadcaster HRT used their classic national final format, <i>Dora</i> , to select their entrant. Two twelve-song semifinals were held, with sixteen songs proceeding to a Grand Final. The winner was selected via a public vote and a jury with both domestic and international components.
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Date Selected	2 March
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## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1993
Years Competed	1993-2013, 2015 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	31
Best Position	4 <sup>th</sup> (1996, 1999)
Host Venue	Zagreb 1990 (as Yugoslavia)

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Baby Lasagna, <i>Rim Tim Tagi Dim</i>
Finishing Position	2nd place in the Grand Final, 547 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Theo Evan</b>
Title	<b><i>Shh</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Elsie Bay, Linda Dale, Dimitris Kontopoulos, Lasse Nymann, Elke Tiel
Artist Profile	Nicosia-native Theo Evan is a graduate of the prestigious Berklee College of Music in Boston. He released his first single in 2021.
Song Description	This high-energy dance-floor filler highlights Theo's impressive range, and involves a fair amount of mystery...who is the singer representing?
Selection Process	Both the artist and song were internally selected by CyBC.
Date Artist Announced	2 September 2024
Date Song Released	11 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1981
Years Competed	1981-1987, 1989-2000, 2002-2013, 2015-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	43
Best Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> (2018)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Silia Kapsis, <i>Liar</i>
Finishing Position	15th place in the Grand Final, 78 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>ADONXS</b>
Title	<b><i>Kiss Kiss Goodbye</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music: Lorenzo Calvo, Michaela Charvátová, Inés Coulon, Adriano Lopes Da Silva, Ronald Janeček, Geargo Masters-Clark, Adam Pavlovčín / Lyrics: Michaela Charvátová, Inés Coulon, Adriano Lopes Da Silva, Adam Pavlovčín
Artist Profile	Slovak-born ADONXS was the winner of <i>SuperStar</i> in 2021 and quickly became a household name in both Slovakia and Czechia, winning awards on both sides of the border.
Song Description	Starting off dark and moody, then switching into a sudden dance-break, <i>Kiss Kiss Goodbye</i> is an emotional roller-coaster.
Selection Process	After years of using a National Final to select their song, Czech broadcaster ČT opted for an internal selection this year.
Date Artist Announced	11 December 2024
Date Song Released	4 February (acoustic preview), 7 March (full version)

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2007
Years Competed	2007-2009, 2015-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	14
Best Position	6 <sup>th</sup> (2018)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Aiko, <i>Pedestal</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 11th place in the Semifinal, 38 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Sissal</b>
Title	<b><i>Hallucination</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Chris Chordz, Linnea Deb, Malthe Johansen, Sissal Johanna Nordberg Niclasen, Line Spangsberg, Melanie Wehbe, Marcus Winther-John
Artist Profile	Winner of a number of children's festivals in her native Faroe Islands, Sissal relocated to Copenhagen in 2020 and released her first EP this year.
Song Description	A big-voiced banger of a song that's sure to get you on your feet, <i>Hallucination</i> is all about the disorienting feeling of falling in love.
Selection Process	<i>Dansk Melodi Grand Prix 2025</i> brought eight songs together in a National Final, with three songs progressing to a Superfinal. The winner was determined via a public vote as well as the votes of a jury.
Date Selected	1 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1957
Years Competed	1957-1966, 1968-1993, 1995, 1997, 1999-2002, 2004-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	54
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1963, 2000, 2013)
Host Venue	Copenhagen 1964, Copenhagen 2001, Copenhagen 2014

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Saba, <i>Sand</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 12th place in the Semifinal, 36 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Tommy Cash</b>
Title	<b><i>Espresso Macchiato</i></b>
Language	English, broken Italian
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Johannes Naukkarinen, Tomas Tammemets

Artist Profile	Rapper, singer, artist, model, and general <i>provocateur</i> Tommy Cash has been a big name on the Estonian music scene since his debut in 2012. In recent years, he has collaborated with Eurovision alumni Little Big, Käärijä, and Joost.
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Song Description	A bit of electro-swing, a bit of melodrama, and a whole lot of tongue-in-cheek parody, this polarizing pastiche of Italian stereotypes is hard to take your eyes off of.
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Selection Process	Estonian broadcaster ERR held its annual Eesti Laul, with one song qualifying from an online wildcard and joining fifteen other prequalified entries in the Final. From those sixteen songs, three progressed to a Superfinal, where the winner was chosen exclusively through a public vote.
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Date Selected	15 February
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## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1994
Years Competed	1994, 1996 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	31
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2001)
Host Venue	Tallinn 2002

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	5MIINUST & Puuluup, <i>(Nendest) narkootikumidest ei tea me (küll) midagi</i>
Finishing Position	20th place in the Grand Final, 37 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Erika Vikman</b>
Title (German)	<b><i>Ich Komme</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>I'm Coming</i>
Language	Finnish, phrases in German
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Christel Roosberg, Jori Roosberg

Artist Profile	A veteran of the 2013 series of <i>Idols</i> and the 2016 "Tango Queen of Finland", Erika has since become one of Finland's most popular electro-pop artists. She's best known to Eurovision fans as the singer of <i>Cicciolina</i> , the runner-up at UMK 2020.
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Song Description	An audio representation of a very...ahem...horizontal idea, <i>Ich Komme</i> is a bold and unabashed ode to pleasure.
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Selection Process	Finland's national final Uuden Musiikin Kilpailu returned, with six songs vying for the ticket to Switzerland. The winner was selected through an international jury and public vote.
Date Selected	8 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1961
Years Competed	1961-1969, 1971-1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2004-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	59
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2006)
Host Venue	Helsinki 2007

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Windows95Man, <i>No Rules!</i>
Finishing Position	19nd place in the Grand Final, 38 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Louane</b>
Title (French)	<b>Maman</b>
Title (English)	Mother
Language	French
Composers	Music: Louane, Tristan Salvati / Lyrics: Louane

Artist Profile	Louane first launched onto the French music scene as a semifinalist on The Voice in 2013, followed by a major role in the 2014 film <i>La Famille Bélier</i> (later adapted into the Oscar-winning film <i>CODA</i> ). Since then, she's released five studio albums and has been a mainstay on the French and Walloon charts.
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Song Description	An evolution of a similarly named song from Louane's back catalogue, <i>Maman</i> is a reflection on the singer's relationship with her late mother, especially now that she's become a mother herself.
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Selection Process	France Télévisions opted for a fully internal selection this year.
Date Artist Announced	30 January
Date Song Released	15 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1973, 1975-1981, 1983 - present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	68
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1958, 1960, 1962, 1969, 1977)
Host Venue	Cannes 1959, Cannes 1961, Paris 1978

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Slimane, <i>Mon amour</i>
Finishing Position	4th place in the Grand Final, 445 points



## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Mariam Shengelia</b>
Title	<b><i>Freedom</i></b>
Language	Georgian, English
Composers	Music: Keti Gabisiani / Lyrics: Buka Kartoza

Artist Profile	Mariam has participated in a number of Georgian talent shows, including X Factor, Geostar, The Voice, and Dancing with the Stars. She was also originally slated to be one of Tornike Kipiani's backing singers in 2020, due to the Contest's cancellation that year, her Eurovision dream was put on the back-burner until now.
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Song Description	A lush, jazz-infused ballad with elements of Georgian musical motifs, <i>Freedom</i> is an ode to the singer's homeland.
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Selection Process	Georgian broadcaster GPB opted for an internal selection for this year's song and artist.
Date Artist Announced and Song Released	14 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2007
Years Competed	2007-2008, 2010-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	18
Best Position	9 <sup>th</sup> (2010, 2011)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Nutsa Buzaladze, <i>Firefighter</i>
Finishing Position	21th place in the Grand Final, 34 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Abor &amp; Tynna</b>
Title (German)	<b>Baller</b>
Title (English)	<i>Shoot</i>
Language	German
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Attila Bornemisza, Tünde Bornemisza, Alexander Hauer

Artist Profile	A brother-sister duo from Vienna, Attila and Tünde Bornemisza blend their classical training with pop and electronic music. They released their first album in January.
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Song Description	A high-energy dance number on the surface, <i>Baller</i> 's lyrics tell the story of putting the pieces together after experiencing a broken heart.
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Selection Process	The succinctly-titled <i>Chefsache ESC 2025 – Wer singt für Deutschland?</i> had a longlist of 24 acts, who sang covers in a pair of heats. Fourteen of those acts proceeded to a Semifinal, with nine progressing on to a Final. Of those nine, five were selected by a professional jury to advance to a Superfinal, with the eventual winner being selected by a public vote.
Date Selected	1 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1995, 1997-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	69
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1982, 2010)
Host Venue	Frankfurt am Main 1957, Munich 1983, Düsseldorf 2011

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Isaak, <i>Always on the Run</i>
Finishing Position	12th place in the Grand Final, 117 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Klavdia</b>
Title	<b><i>Asteromata</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>Starry-Eyed</i>
Language	Greek
Composers	Music: Arcade, Klavdia / Lyrics: Arcade

Artist Profile	Following a successful run on <i>The Voice of Greece</i> in 2018, Klavdia signed a record deal and released her first singles in 2022. She was also in the running to represent Greece at Eurovision 2023, but broadcaster ERT internally selected Victor Vernicos instead.
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Song Description	A heartbreaking, wistful ballad sung from a mother to a child, <i>Asteromata</i> also expresses the bond between refugees and the people and homelands that they've left behind.
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Selection Process	For the first time since 2017, Greek broadcaster ERT opted for a National Final to select their entrant. <i>Ethnikós Telikós 2025</i> brought together twelve acts, with the winner being selected by a domestic jury, an international jury, and a public vote.
Date Selected	30 January

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1974
Years Competed	1974, 1976-1981, 1983, 1985, 1987-1998, 2001-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	46
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2005)
Host Venue	Athens 2006

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Marina Satti, <i>Zari</i>
Finishing Position	11th place in the Grand Final, 126 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Væb</b>
Title (Icelandic)	<b>Róa</b>
Title (English)	Row
Language	Icelandic
Composers	Music: Ingi Þór Garðarsson, Gunnar Björn Gunnarsson, Hálf dán Helgi Matthíasson, Matthías Davíð Matthíasson / Lyrics: Ingi Þór Garðarsson, Hálf dán Helgi Matthíasson, Matthías Davíð Matthíasson

Artist Profile	Brothers Hálf dán Helgi and Matthías Davíð Matthíasson grew up in a musical household, and released their first album in 2022. Their song <i>Bíómynd</i> took 4th place in <i>Söngvakeppnin</i> last year.
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Song Description	This bouncy, high-energy ode to sailing the high seas puts a modern twist on the old sea shanty.
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Selection Process	<i>Söngvakeppnin 2025</i> was made up of two five-song semifinals, leading to a six-song final. The winner was selected through a public vote and an international jury. For the first time in over a decade, there was no Superfinal held.
Date Selected	22 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1986
Years Competed	1986-1997, 1999-2001, 2003-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	38
Best Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> (1999, 2009)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Hera Björk, <i>Scared of Heights</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 15th place in the Semifinal, 3 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Emmy</b>
Title	<b><i>Laika Party</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Truls Marius Aarra, Emmy K. Guttulrud Kristiansen, Erlend Guttulrud Kristiansen, Henrik Østlund, Larissa Tormey
Artist Profile	Emmy is a Norway-based singer-songwriter best known to Eurovision fans as the performer of <i>Witch Woods</i> , which made it to the finals of the Norwegian selection in 2021.
Song Description	A bouncy, fluffy pop track about a shockingly sad moment in history: the fate of Laika, the first dog in space, who sadly perished during the Sputnik 2 mission in 1957. But what if she had survived?
Selection Process	On a special episode of RTÉ's <i>The Late Late Show</i> , <i>Eurosong 2025</i> pitted six acts against each other. The winner was determined by a public televote, an international jury, and an Irish jury.
Date Selected	7 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1965
Years Competed	1965-1982, 1984-2001, 2003 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	59
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1970, 1980, 1987, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996)
Host Venue	Dublin 1971, Dublin 1981, Dublin 1988, Millstreet 1993, Dublin 1994, Dublin 1995, Dublin 1997

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Bambie Thug, <i>Doomsday Blue</i>
Finishing Position	6th place in the Grand Final, 278 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Yuval Raphael</b>
Title	<b><i>New Day Will Rise</i></b>
Language	English, French, Hebrew
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Keren Peles

Artist Profile	A newcomer to the music scene, Yuval's first forays into the music industry came when she auditioned for <i>HaKokhav HaBa</i> , the talent show that serves as Israel's National Final.
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Song Description	A wistful waltz in English, French, and Hebrew, <i>New Day Will Rise</i> is about resilience in the face of loss and pain.
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Selection Process	Israel's entrant for Eurovision was determined through the show <i>HaKokhav HaBa</i> , with their song to be written for her and revealed at a later point.
Date Artist Selected	22 January
Date Song Revealed	9 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1973
Years Competed	1973-1979, 1981-1983, 1985-1993, 1995-1996, 1998-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	48
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1978, 1979, 1998, 2018)
Host Venue	Jerusalem 1979, Jerusalem 1999, Tel Aviv 2019

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Eden Golan, <i>Hurricane</i>
Finishing Position	5th place in the Grand Final, 375 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Lucio Corsi</b>
Title (Italian)	<b>Volevo essere un duro</b>
Title (English)	<i>I wanted to be a tough guy</i>
Language	Italian
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Lucio Corsi, Tommaso Ottomano

Artist Profile	A singer-songwriter from Tuscany, Lucio Corsi has been releasing music since 2014, but his appearance at this year's Sanremo has been his biggest commercial breakthrough so far.
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Song Description	<i>Volevo essere un duro</i> is a playful, yet bittersweet look at a child's expectations of all of the things he thinks he's going to be when he grows up, when all he needs to learn is how to simply be himself.
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Selection Process	Lucio Costa, as the runner-up of the <i>Sanremo Music Festival</i> (the contest on which the Eurovision Song Contest is based) was offered the chance to represent Italy in Basel after <i>Sanremo's</i> winner, Olly, declined the opportunity.
Date Confirmed	22 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1980, 1983-1985, 1987-1993, 1997, 2011-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	51
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1964, 1990, 2021)
Host Venue	Naples 1965, Rome 1991, Torino 2022

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Angelina Mango, <i>La Noia</i>
Finishing Position	7th place in the Grand Final, 268 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Tautumeitas</b>
Title (Latvian)	<b><i>Bur man laimi</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>Bring Me Happiness</i>
Language	Latvian
Composers	Music: Laura Līcīte, Elvis Lintiņš, Asnate Rancāne, Aurēlija Rancāne / Lyrics: Laura Līcīte, Asnate Rancāne, Aurēlija Rancāne, Gabriēla Zvaigznīte
Artist Profile	A six-member group dedicated to taking traditional Latvian folk sounds and making them accessible to a current audience, Tautumeitas have been performing together since 2015 and have released five albums so far.
Song Description	<i>Bur man laimi</i> , the first song completely performed in Latvian since 2004, uses intricate vocal harmonies and is reminiscent of ritualistic chants.
Selection Process	Latvia's popular <i>Supernova</i> national final started with a nineteen-song Semifinal, which was winnowed down to a ten-song Final. The winner was selected by a public vote and a professional jury. There was a three-way tie for first place, but as Tautumeitas received the highest vote total from the public, they were chosen to represent Latvia in Basel.
Date Selected	8 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2000
Years Competed	2000-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	26
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2002)
Host Venue	Riga 2003

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Dons, <i>Hollow</i>
Finishing Position	16th place in the Grand Final, 64 points



## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Katarsis</b>
Title (Lithuanian)	<b>Tavo akys</b>
Title (English)	<i>Your Eyes</i>
Language	Lithuanian
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Lukas Radzevičius

Artist Profile	Lead singer Lukas Radzevičius started Katarsis as a solo project, but was soon joined by guitarist Alanas Brasas, bassist Emilija Kandratavičiūtė, and drummer Jokūbas Andriulis. The alt-rock band released their first EP last year.
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Song Description	Dark, moody, and brooding, <i>Tavo akys</i> rises to a hypnotic, anthemic climax that will get the audience chanting "Tavo!"
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Selection Process	National Final <i>Eurovizija.LT</i> consisted of five nine-song semifinals, with two songs from each progressing to the Grand Final, plus two Wildcard qualifiers. From those twelve songs, following a jury and televote, three progressed to a Superfinal, with the winner being determined through a public vote.
Date Selected	15 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1994
Years Competed	1994, 1999, 2001-2002, 2004-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	26
Best Position	6 <sup>th</sup> (2006)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Silvester Belt, <i>Luktelk</i>
Finishing Position	14th place in the Grand Final, 90 points

# Luxembourg

Semifinal 2, Song 13

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Laura Thorn</b>
Title (French)	<b><i>La poupée monte le son</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>The doll turns up the volume</i>
Language	French
Composers	Music: Christophe Houssin, Julien Salvia, Ludovic-Alexandre Vidal / Lyrics: Julien Salvia, Ludovic-Alexandre Vidal

Artist Profile	A relative newcomer to the industry, Laura teaches at the Esch-sur-Alzette Conservatory of Music. She's got her master's degree in music pedagogy and theory, and has been trained in dance, piano, and cello.
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Song Description	<i>La poupée monte le son</i> is an updated take on Luxembourg's 1965 Eurovision winner <i>Poupée de cire, poupée de son</i> . Sixty years on, the doll is taking control of her life, instead of just being a passive toy.
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Selection Process	<i>Luxembourg Song Contest 2025</i> brought together seven acts, with the winner being selected by an international jury and a public televote.
Date Selected	25 January

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1958, 1960-1993, 2024-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	39
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1961, 1965, 1972, 1973, 1983))
Host Venue	Luxembourg 1962, 1966, 1973, 1984

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Tali, <i>Fighter</i>
Finishing Position	13th place in the Grand Final, 103 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Miriana Conte</b>
Title	<b><i>Serving</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Miriana Conte, Sarah Evelyn Fullerton, Matthew "Muxu" Mercieca, Benjamin "BNJI" Schmid
Artist Profile	A mainstay at Maltese national finals since she was 16, it's seventh time lucky for Miriana.
Song Description	Empowering and sassy, <i>Serving</i> is all about loving yourself and knowing the power that you bring to the world. The original title and lyrics of the song were edited, due to the Maltese-language word "kant" (which means "singing") being a homophone for a term that cannot be aired on many participating broadcasters. You can wager that the live audience in Basel will fill in the blanks.
Selection Process	A total of 24 songs were selected for <i>Malta Eurovision Song Contest 2025</i> , and the number was narrowed down to 16 after a pair of semifinals. The winner was selected by a public televote and a nine-member panel made up of Maltese and international jurors.
Date Selected	8 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1971
Years Competed	1971-1972, 1974-1976, 1990-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	38
Best Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> (2002, 2005)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Sarah Bonnici, <i>Loop</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 16th place in the Semifinal, 13 points

# Montenegro

Semifinal 2, Song 2

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Nina Žižić</b>
Title (Montenegrin)	<b><i>Dobrodošli (Добродошли)</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>Welcome</i>
Language	Montenegrin
Composers	Music: Darko Dimitrov, Boris Subotić / Lyrics: Violeta Mihajlovska Milić, Boris Subotić

Artist Profile	A mainstay in the Montenegrin music scene for two decades, Nina is a returning artist to Eurovision, having been a featured vocalist alongside rap duo WhoSee in 2013's entry <i>Igranka</i> .
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Song Description	A major departure from WhoSee's song from 2013, powerful ballad <i>Dobrodošli</i> touches on themes of women's resilience and reinvention during times of unimaginable struggle.
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Selection Process	After two years' absence, Montenegro returned to the contest with their first national final, <i>Montesong</i> , since 2019. Sixteen songs were in the running, with a winner selected by a seven-member jury and a public televote. The original winning song, <i>Clickbait</i> by NeonoeN, was withdrawn due to being performed prior to September 1, 2024.
Date of National Final	27 November 2024
Date Replacement Song Selected	8 December 2024

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2007
Years Competed	2007-2009, 2012-2019, 2022, 2025
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	13
Best Position	13 <sup>th</sup> (2015)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	n/a
Finishing Position	Did not compete

# The Netherlands

Semifinal 1, Song 13

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Claude</b>
Title (French)	<b><i>C'est la vie</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>That's Life</i>
Language	French, English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Claude Kiambe, Arno Krabman, Leon Paul Palmen, Joren van der Voort

Artist Profile	Born in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Claude moved to the Netherlands at the age of nine. After appearing on a few Dutch competition shows, he started releasing music in Dutch, French, and English, resulting in a few smash hits in the Netherlands.
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Song Description	Blending lyrics in French and English, <i>C'est la vie</i> honors Claude's mother and the lessons that she taught him when life threw curveballs his way.
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Selection Process	The singer and song were selected internally by broadcaster AVROTROS.
Date Artist Announced	19 December 2024
Date Song Released	27 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1984, 1986-1990, 1992-1994, 1996-2001, 2003-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	66
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1957, 1959, 1969, 1975, 2019)
Host Venue	Hilversum 1958, Amsterdam 1970, The Hague 1976, The Hague 1980, Rotterdam <del>2020</del> , 2021

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Joost Klein, <i>Europapa</i>
Finishing Position	2nd in Semifinal, 182 points. Disqualified before the Grand Final.

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Kyle Alessandro</b>
Title	<b><i>Lighter</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Adam Christopher Allskog, Kyle Alessandro Helgesen Villalobos

Artist Profile	After performing on Norway's edition of <i>Got Talent</i> at the age of ten, Kyle released his first album at eleven. He took part in the Norwegian National Final in 2023 as one half of Umami Tsunami, which made it to the Final with their song <i>Geronimo</i> .
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Song Description	Inspired by his mother's battle with cancer, <i>Lighter</i> uses the imagery of fire to symbolize overcoming all of life's obstacles.
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Selection Process	Nine songs competed in a one-night National Final, <i>Melodi Grand Prix 2025</i> , with a winner being selected by an international jury and a public televote.
Date Selected	15 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1960
Years Competed	1960-1969, 1971-2001, 2003-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	64
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1985, 1995, 2009)
Host Venue	Bergen 1986, Oslo 1996, Bærum 2010

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Gåte, <i>Ulveham</i>
Finishing Position	25th place in the Grand Final, 16 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Justyna Steczkowska</b>
Title (Polish)	<b>Gaja</b>
Title (English)	<i>Gaia / Earth</i>
Language	Polish
Composers	Music: Dominic Buczkowski-Wojtaszek, Patryk Kumór, Justyna Steczkowska, Emilian Waluchowski / Lyrics: Patryk Kumór, Justyna Steczkowska, Emilian Waluchowski

Artist Profile	Returning to Eurovision after 30 years, Justyna represented Poland at the Contest in 1995, coming in 18th place with the melancholic <i>Sama</i> . Since then, she's been a mainstay on the Polish music scene, having released over a dozen albums and serving as a coach on <i>The Voice of Poland</i> .
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Song Description	This powerful, almost ritualistic song comes from the point of view of Gaia, the goddess of the Earth, and invokes the unencumbered power and endless pain of the planet, giving constant love and receiving nothing in return.
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Selection Process	Eleven songs took part in <i>Wielki finał polskich kwalifikacji</i> , with the winner being selected purely by a public SMS vote.
Date Selected	14 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1994
Years Competed	1994-1999, 2001, 2003-2011, 2014-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	28
Best Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> (1994)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Luna, <i>The Tower</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 12th place in the Semifinal, 35 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>NAPA</b>
Title (Portuguese)	<b><i>Deslocado</i></b>
Title (English)	Displaced
Language	Portuguese
Composers	Music: Diogo Góis, João Guilherme Gomes, João Lourenço Gomes, João Rodrigues, André Santos, Francisco Sousa / Lyrics: João Guilherme Gomes

Artist Profile	This five-part indie band hails from the island of Madeira, and blends influences from Portuguese, Brazilian, British, and American sounds. They released their first album in 2019.
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Song Description	This quiet and introspective indie-rock song evokes the detachment, longing and nostalgia (or <i>saudade</i> , in Portuguese) of living far from the place you truly call home.
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Selection Process	Two ten-song semifinals led to a twelve-song Final, with the winner being selected by a public televote as well as a series of domestic regional jury votes.
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Date Selected	8 March
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## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1964
Years Competed	1964-1969, 1971-1999, 2001, 2003-2012, 2014-2015, 2016-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	55
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2017)
Host Venue	Lisbon 2018

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	iolanda, <i>Grito</i>
Finishing Position	10th place in the Grand Final, 152 points



# San Marino

Semifinal 1, Song 11

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Gabry Ponte</b>
Title (Italian)	<b><i>Tutta l'Italia</i></b>
Title (English)	All of Italy
Language	Italian
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Andrea Bonomo, Gabriele Ponte, Edwyn Roberts

Artist Profile	Musician, DJ, and producer Gabry Ponte is best known to global audiences as a former member of Eiffel 65, who created the global hit <i>Blue (Da Ba Dee)</i> in 1998. Since then, he's released floods of music, performed all over the world, and even had time to write <i>Halo</i> , Austria's Eurovision entry from 2022.
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Song Description	Initially selected as the theme song for this year's Festival di Sanremo, <i>Tutta l'Italia</i> became a catchy, viral anthem celebrating all things Italian.
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Selection Process	Despite being the smallest nation at Eurovision, <i>San Marino Song Contest 2025</i> had one of the largest national final processes of the year, with over 1,200 artists auditioning. Of these, 221 progressed to six semifinals for international acts, and one for domestic participants. One act from each semifinal qualified for the Final, and there was a repechage round for top non-qualifiers, of which four songs progressed. In addition, nine well-established acts were placed directly into the Final. In total, twenty songs participated in the Final, with the winner selected by a jury.
Date Selected	8 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2008
Years Competed	2008, 2011-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	16
Best Position	19 <sup>th</sup> (2019)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Megara, <i>11:11</i>
Finishing Position	DNQ, 14th place in the Semifinal, 16 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Princ</b>
Title	<b><i>Mila (Мила)</i></b>
Language	Serbian
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Dušan Bačić

Artist Profile	Since entering the music scene in 2016, Princ has participated in festivals all over Europe, made the Top 12 on the Voice of Bulgaria, and was even cast as the lead in a production of <i>Jesus Christ Superstar</i> .
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Song Description	<i>Mila</i> is a timeless and bittersweet ballad that evokes the passion and heartbreak of experiencing a lover's betrayal.
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Selection Process	Serbia's national final <i>Pesma za Evroviziju</i> included two 15-song semifinals, leading to a 16-song final. The winner was decided through a domestic jury and public vote.
Date Selected	28 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2007
Years Competed	2007-2013, 2015-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	18
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2007)
Host Venue	Belgrade 2008

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Teya Dora, <i>Ramonda</i>
Finishing Position	17th place in the Grand Final, 54 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Klemen</b>
Title	<b><i>How Much Time Do We Have Left?</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Klemen Slakonja

Artist Profile	Best known as a comedian, impressionist, and television host, this is Klemen's first foray into more "serious" performance. Earlier highlights in his career include the viral satirical hit <i>Putin, Put Out</i> , and hosting the Slovenian National Selection, <i>EMA</i> , four times.
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Song Description	<i>How Much Time Do We Have Left?</i> is a simple, understated ballad detailing the experience that Klemen had when his wife was diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, from receiving the diagnosis through her treatment and eventually to her recovery.
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Selection Process	Slovenia returned to a National Final process for the first time since 2022. Twelve songs competed at <i>EMA 2025</i> , with the top two after a jury vote progressing to a public-vote-only superfinal.
Date Selected	1 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1993
Years Competed	1993, 1995-1999, 2001-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	31
Best Position	7 <sup>th</sup> (1995, 2001)
Host Venue	-

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Raiven <i>Veronika</i>
Finishing Position	23rd place in the Grand Final, 27 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Melody</b>
Title (Spanish)	<b><i>Esa diva</i></b>
Title (English)	<i>That diva</i>
Language	Spanish
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Alberto Lorite, Melodía Ruiz Gutiérrez (Melody)

Artist Profile	Releasing her first album at the age of 10, Melody grew up in the musical spotlight. She's released six albums and has appeared in various TV shows, including the Spanish edition of <i>Your Face Sounds Familiar</i> .
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Song Description	<i>Esa diva</i> is an anthemic look back into Melody's own history, from child star to where she stands today, always embracing her inner diva and encouraging others to do the same, whether they're mega-stars, complete unknowns, or just people living their lives with love and joy.
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Selection Process	This year's edition of <i>Benidorm Fest</i> had sixteen songs compete in two semifinals, leading to an eight-song final. The winner was selected by a jury and public televote.
Date Selected	1 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1961
Years Competed	1961 - present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	65
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1968, 1969)
Host Venue	Madrid 1969

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Nebulossa, <i>Zorra</i>
Finishing Position	22nd place in the Grand Final, 30 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>KAJ</b>
Title (Swedish)	<b><i>Bara bada bastu</i></b>
Title (English)	Let's Just Sauna
Language	Swedish (Vörå dialect of Finland Swedish)
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Axel Åhman, Kevin Holmström, Jakob Norrgård, Kristoffer Strandberg, Robert Skowronski, Anderz Wrethov

Artist Profile	A comedy trio made up of Kevin Holmström, Axel Åhman, and Jakob Norrgård are part of Finland's Swedish-speaking minority, and are the first Finns to represent Sweden at Eurovision. They're released seven albums together so far.
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Song Description	The first Swedish-language entry to represent the country since 1998, <i>Bara bada bastu</i> is a relentlessly catchy ode to everyone's favourite Nordic pastime: enjoying a sauna!
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Selection Process	<i>Melodifestivalen 2025</i> brought together 30 entrants, who were winnowed down to twelve finalists after five semifinals and a final qualification round. The winner was chosen by a public vote as well as the rankings of an international jury.
Date Selected	8 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1958
Years Competed	1958-1963, 1965-1969, 1971-1975, 1977 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	65
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1974, 1984, 1991, 1999, 2012, 2015, 2023)
Host Venue	Stockholm 1975, Gothenburg 1985, Malmö 1992, Stockholm 2000, Malmö 2013, Stockholm 2016, Malmö 2024

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Marcus & Martinus, <i>Unforgettable</i>
Finishing Position	9th place in the Grand Final, 174 points

# Switzerland

Defending Champion, Automatic Qualifier, Song 19 in the Grand Final

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Zoë Më</b>
Title	<b>Voyage</b>
Language	French
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Zoë Anina Kressler, Emily Middlemas, Tom Oehler

Artist Profile	Born in Basel and raised in Fribourg, Zoë Më blends pop and jazz into a sweet, poetic style all her own. She performs in both French and German.
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Song Description	Voyage is a gentle and wistful ballad about approaching relationships with kindness, even after you've been hurt time and time again.
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Selection Process	Swiss broadcaster SRG SSR opted for an internal selection for this year's entrant and song.
Date Artist Announced	5 March
Date Song Released	10 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1956
Years Competed	1956-1994, 1996-1998, 2000, 2002, 2004-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	66
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1956, 1988, 2024)
Host Venue	Lugano 1956, Lausanne 1989, Basel 2025

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Nemo, <i>The Code</i>
Finishing Position	1st place in the Grand Final, 591 points

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Ziferblat</b>
Title	<b><i>Bird of Pray</i></b>
Language	Ukrainian, English
Composers	Music: Fedir Khodakov, Daniel Leshchynskyi, Valentyn Leshchynskyi / Lyrics: Valentyn Leshchynskyi

Artist Profile	A trio made up of fraternal twin brothers Daniil and Valentyn Leshchynskyi plus Fedir Khodakov, indie-rock band Ziferblat released their first EP in 2017. They were the runners-up in last year's <i>Vidbir</i> with the song <i>Place I Call Home</i> .
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Song Description	Blending English and Ukrainian lyrics, and shifting time signatures and keys, <i>Bird of Pray</i> blends local musical motifs, rock sounds from the past, and currently relevant themes of finding connection and hope during times of struggle.
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Selection Process	<i>Vidbir 2025</i> brought together nine entries selected by Ukrainian broadcaster Suspline, plus one additional song chosen through an online wildcard process. The winner was selected through a jury vote as well as a public app vote.
Date Selected	8 February

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	2003
Years Competed	2003-2014, 2016 - 2018, 2020-present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	21
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (2004, 2016, 2022)
Host Venue	Kyiv 2005, Kyiv 2017

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	alyona alyona & Jerry Heil, <i>Teresa &amp; Maria</i>
Finishing Position	3rd place in the Grand Final, 453 points

# United Kingdom

Big 5, Automatic Finalist

## Eurovision Song Contest 2025

Artist	<b>Remember Monday</b>
Title	<b><i>What the Hell Just Happened?</i></b>
Language	English
Composers	Music & Lyrics: Julie Aagaard, Lauren Byrne, Holly Hull, Thomas Stengaard, Charlotte Steele, Billen Ted

Artist Profile	Remember Monday is made up of Lauren Byrne, Holly-Anne Hull, and Charlotte Steele, who all met as students. The trio took part in <i>The Voice UK</i> in 2019, and have released a pair of EPs. All three have theatrical training and experience.
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Song Description	Blending pop, country, and West End musical styling, <i>What the Hell Just Happened?</i> is a look into the deliciously messy aftermath of a particularly wild night out.
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Selection Process	The BBC chose the UK's song and performer internally.
Date Artist Announced and Song Released	7 March

## Eurovision Song Contest History

Debut	1957
Years Competed	1957, 1959 – present
No. of ESC (including 2020 & 2025)	68
Best Position	1 <sup>st</sup> (1967, 1969, 1976, 1981, 1997)
Host Venue	London 1960, London 1963, London 1968, Edinburgh, 1972, Brighton 1974, London 1977, Harrogate 1982, Birmingham 1998, Liverpool 2023

## Eurovision Song Contest 2024

Artist/Song	Olly Alexander, <i>Dizzy</i>
Finishing Position	18th place in the Grand Final, 46 points



# Eurovision 2025 Facts & Figures:

## Who'll be performing:

37 countries in total, the same as 2024 following the withdrawal of Moldova and the return of Montenegro.

Solo Female (13): Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Poland, Spain, Switzerland

Solo Male (14): Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, San Marino\*, Serbia, Slovenia

\* - Gabry Ponte is the sole listed artist for San Marino, but uncredited vocals are provided by Andrea Bonomo and Edwyn Roberts.

Duos (3): Albania, Germany, Iceland,

Groups and Collaborations (7): Azerbaijan, Latvia, Lithuania, Portugal, Sweden, Ukraine, United Kingdom

## How they were chosen:

National Final (25): Albania, Armenia, Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Norway, Poland, Portugal, San Marino, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Ukraine

Partial National Final (1): Israel

(Yuval Raphael won the 2025 series of HaKokhav HaBa, and her song was written for her after the fact.)

Internal Selection (10): Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Czechia, France, Georgia, Netherlands, Switzerland, United Kingdom

Other (1): Italy

(Lucio Corsi, as runner-up of the Festival di Sanremo, was offered the opportunity to represent Italy after the festival's winner, Olly, declined.)

## What language will the song be performed in?

English (13): Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Ireland, Malta, Norway, Slovenia, United Kingdom




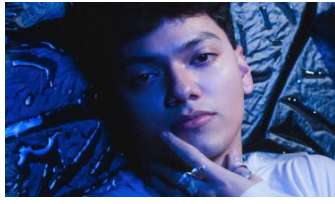
















No English (17): Albania, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Montenegro, Portugal, San Marino, Serbia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland

Bilingual/Multilingual (7): Armenia, Estonia, Georgia, Israel, Netherlands, Poland, Ukraine

## How many have had previous involvement with Eurovision?

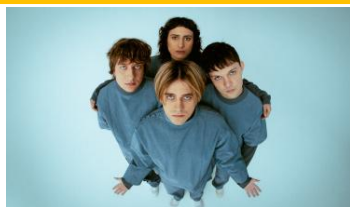
- Montenegro
  - Alongside rap duo WhoSee, Nina Žižić was the featured vocalist on Montenegro's 2013 entry, *Igranka*. The song placed 12 in its semifinal, and failed to qualify for the Grand Final.
- Poland
  - Justyna Steczkowska represented Poland in 1995 with the song *Sama*, which ended in 18th place. She now holds the record for the longest time span between Eurovision entries, thirty years.
- San Marino
  - Gabry Ponte was the songwriter and producer behind Austria's entry in 2022, *Halo*, performed by LUM!X and Pia Maria.

# Quick Reference

			
<b>Albania</b> Zjerm Shkodra Elektronike	<b>Armenia</b> Survivor Parg	<b>Australia</b> Milkshake Man Go-Jo	<b>Austria</b> Wasted Love JJ
			
<b>Azerbaijan</b> Run With U Mamagama	<b>Belgium</b> Strobe Lights Red Sebastian	<b>Croatia</b> Poison Cake Marko Bošnjak	<b>Cyprus</b> Shh Theo Evan
			
<b>Czechia</b> Kiss Kiss Goodbye Adonxs	<b>Denmark</b> Hallucination Sissal	<b>Estonia</b> Espresso Macchiato Tommy Cash	<b>Finland</b> Ich komme Erika Vikman
			
<b>France</b> Maman Louane	<b>Georgia</b> Freedom Mariam Shengelia	<b>Germany</b> Baller Abor & Tynna	<b>Greece</b> Asteromata Klavdia
			
<b>Iceland</b> Róa Væb	<b>Ireland</b> Laika Party Emmy	<b>Israel</b> New Day Will Rise Yuval Raphael	<b>Italy</b> Volevo essere un duro Lucio Corsi



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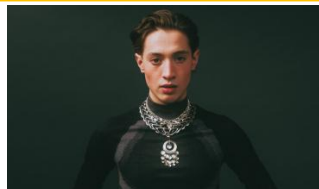
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**Portugal**  
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**Ukraine**  
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**United Kingdom**  
What the Hell Just  
Happened?  
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Country	Artist	Song	Key	Bpm
Albania	Shkodra Elektronike	<i>Zjerm</i>	C	95
Armenia	Parg	<i>Survivor</i>	D min	132
Australia	Go-Jo	<i>Milkshake Man</i>	C	154
Austria	JJ	<i>Wasted Love</i>	C# min	133
Azerbaijan	Mamagama	<i>Run with U</i>	G min	116
Belgium	Red Sebastian	<i>Strobe Lights</i>	G	145
Croatia	Marko Bošnjak	<i>Poison Cake</i>	F# min	171
Cyprus	Theo Evan	<i>Shh</i>	G	142
Czechia	Adonxs	<i>Kiss Kiss Goodbye</i>	A min	186
Denmark	Sissal	<i>Hallucination</i>	F# min	140
Estonia	Tommy Cash	<i>Espresso Macchiato</i>	B min	120
Finland	Erika Vikman	<i>Ich Komme</i>	G	147
France	Louane	<i>Maman</i>	G min	88
Georgia	Mariam Shengelia	<i>Freedom</i>	G	153
Germany	Abor & Tynna	<i>Baller</i>	C min	138
Greece	Klavdia	<i>Asteromata</i>	C# min	122
Iceland	Væb	<i>Róa</i>	G#	140
Ireland	Emmy	<i>Laika Party</i>	D min	132
Israel	Yuval Raphael	<i>New Day Will Rise</i>	G min	158
Italy	Lucio Corsi	<i>Volevo essere un duro</i>	E	79
Latvia	Tautumeitas	<i>Bur man laimi</i>	A	140
Lithuania	Katarsys	<i>Tavo akys</i>	A min	110
Luxembourg	Laura Thorn	<i>La poupée monte le son</i>	G	132
Malta	Miriana Conte	<i>Serving</i>	E min	122
Montenegro	Nina Žižić	<i>Dobrodošli</i>	D min	163
Netherlands	Claude	<i>C'est la vie</i>	A	124
Norway	Kyle Alessandro	<i>Lighter</i>	D min	105
Poland	Justyna Steczkowska	<i>Gaja</i>	A min	116
Portugal	Napa	<i>Deslocado</i>	F#	76
San Marino	Gabry Ponte	<i>Tutta l'Italia</i>	F#	128
Serbia	Princ	<i>Mila</i>	G min	140
Slovenia	Klemen	<i>How Much Time Do We Have Left?</i>	E	120
Spain	Melody	<i>Esa diva</i>	F#	127
Sweden	KAJ	<i>Bara bada bastu</i>	A min	106
Switzerland	Zoë Më	<i>Voyage</i>	C min	170
Ukraine	Ziferblat	<i>Bird of Pray</i>	F#	134
United Kingdom	Remember Monday	<i>What the Hell Just Happened?</i>	G	136

(Information sourced from [Musicstax.com](https://www.musicstax.com) and [SongBPM.com](https://www.songbpm.com))

# First Semifinal Running Order

#	Country	Artist	Song
1	Iceland	Væb	Róa
2	Poland	Justyna Steczkowska	Gaja
3	Slovenia	Klemen	How Much Time Do We Have Left?
4	Estonia	Tommy Cash	Espresso Macchiato
	Spain	Melody	Esa Diva
5	Ukraine	Ziferblat	Bird of Pray
6	Sweden	KAJ	Bara bada bastu
7	Portugal	Napa	Deslocado
8	Norway	Kyle Alessandro	Lighter
9	Belgium	Red Sebastian	Strobe Lights
	Italy	Lucio Corsi	Volevo essere un duro
10	Azerbaijan	Mamagama	Run with U
11	San Marino	Gabry Ponte	Tutta l'Italia
12	Albania	Shkodra Elektronike	Zjerm
13	Netherlands	Claude	C'est la vie
14	Croatia	Marko Bošnjak	Poison Cake
	Switzerland	Zoë Më	Voyage
15	Cyprus	Theo Evan	Shh

# Second Semifinal Running Order

#	Country	Artist	Song
1	Australia	Go-Jo	Milkshake Man
2	Montenegro	Nina Žižić	Dobrodošli
3	Ireland	Emmy	Laika Party
4	Latvia	Tautumeitas	Bur man laimi
5	Armenia	Parg	Survivor
6	Austria	JJ	Wasted Love
	United Kingdom	Remember Monday	What the Hell Just Happened?
7	Greece	Klavdia	Asteromata
8	Lithuania	Katarsis	Tavo akys
9	Malta	Miriana Conte	Serving
10	Georgia	Mariam Shengelia	Freedom
	France	Louane	Maman
11	Denmark	Sissal	Hallucination
12	Czechia	Adonxs	Kiss Kiss Goodbye
13	Luxembourg	Laura Thorn	La poupée monte le son
14	Israel	Yuval Raphael	New Day Will Rise
	Germany	Abor & Tynna	Baller
15	Serbia	Princ	Mila
16	Finland	Erika Vikman	Ich Komme

# Automatic Qualifiers

#	Country	Artist	Song
19	Switzerland	Zoë Më	Voyage
tbd	France	Louane	Maman
tbd	Germany	Abor & Tynna	Baller
tbd	Italy	Lucio Corsi	Volevo essere un duro
tbd	Spain	Melody	Esa diva
tbd	United Kingdom	Remember Monday	What the Hell Just Happened?